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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

The Applicants respectfully request entry of the following preliminary amendment, prior to examination and publication of the above-identified application. No new matter is submitted with the proposed Amendment.

TITLE OF THE INVENTION

Please replace the title of the invention with the following rewritten title:

BIOMETRIC SAFEGUARD FOR USE WITH A SMARTCARD